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(57) Abstract

An absorbent article, such as a sanitary napkin, a panty-liner or an incontinence protector, comprising a liquid-pervious surface layer (2), a liquid-impervious surface layer (3), and an absorbent body (4) enclosed between the two surface layers (2, 3), wherein the article further exhibits a wetting region (15), which is the region of the liquid-pervious surface layer which is intended to first be wetted by body fluid emitted to the article. The liquid-pervious surface layer (2) is constituted of a hydrophilic material (16) within the wetting region (15), at least at the surface of the layer (2) which is intended to be facing the user during use. The remaining parts of the liquid-pervious surface layer (2) are constituted of a hydrophobic material (14).

